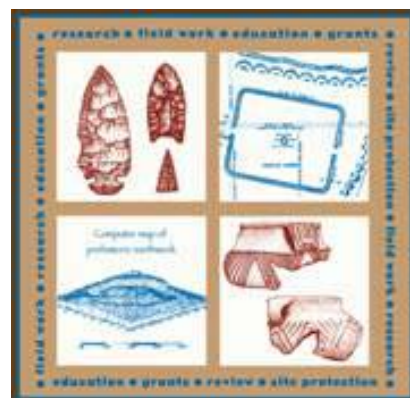




Archaeology News

- *from the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA), office of the Indiana State Archaeologist*



- **Indiana Archaeology Month 2006-** September will find us observing the 11th annual statewide celebration of archaeology. This year's "theme" for the Month is *Unique in Indiana*. This is meant to reflect the fact that our state has unique and wonderful types of archaeological sites, cultures, and artifacts. It is hoped that during Indiana Archaeology Month, many of you will take advantage of not only the opportunity to visit some of these unique sites (<http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/bin/travelsarchaeo.pdf>), but will attend the exciting events (www.IN.gov/dnr/historic/archeomonth.html) which will be held all over the state. The official Calendar of Events will soon be up online, so you may start planning which events to attend. We encourage you to celebrate the uniqueness of our Hoosier State, and its outstanding archaeological sites and heritage.

- **Indiana Archaeology Month 2006~ Commemorative posters and shirts-** Show your pride regarding Indiana's special archaeological heritage by having an official commemorative Indiana

Archaeology Month poster and

shirt. The poster

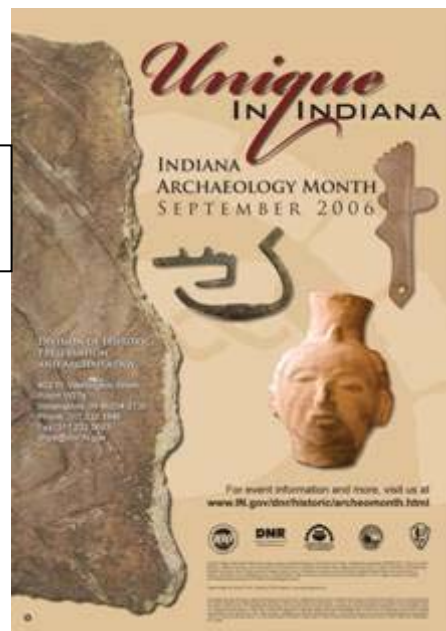
2006 commemorative poster (right) and shirt design (left). Shirts will be white and short sleeved.

and t-shirt designs

feature artifacts from unique sites. For a more detailed description of these artifacts and sites, and information on the designs, go to

www.IN.gov/dnr/historic/archeomonth.html.

There you will also find information about purchasing shirts and how to obtain posters and other outreach materials. The shirts and posters are very popular each year, and the shirts usually sell out fairly quickly. So, if you are interested, contact our office soon!



- **Presentation at the Indiana Conservation Officers Trainee Academy-** On July 13th,



State Archaeologist Dr. Rick Jones and Archaeology Outreach Coordinator Amy Johnson presented an overview regarding Indiana archaeology, the laws about archaeology and burial sites, and how the DHPA and the Indiana Conservation Officers interact, for those present at the DNR's Law Enforcement Division's Indiana Conservation Officer Trainee Academy.

Dr. Jones and Ms. Johnson enjoyed sharing information

with those present, and our office is always pleased to reinforce the integral relationship our two divisions share when it comes to helping protect Indiana's irreplaceable archaeological resources.

Indiana Conservation Officer Trainees listening to Dr. Jones give part of the DHPA's presentation.



- **Archaeology Grant applications available soon-**

Applications for the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) grants for FY2007 will be available soon on the DHPA website (www.IN.gov/dnr/historic). For those who are considering applying, our website is a great place to access information on the grants, the criteria, applications, and more. We hope to receive a large number of interesting archaeology applications this year!



Cover of an archaeological report that was associated with a past HPF grant project.



- **Visit to HPF grant project-** On July 20th, Archaeology Outreach Coordinator Amy Johnson visited the Next Step Education Through Archaeology Project at Fort Harrison State Park, Indianapolis. Martin University was awarded a \$10,000 archaeology public education grant to conduct this program, which is now in its eighth year. The funds come from the National Park Service and are administered by our office. This program provides predominately minority high school students from Indianapolis the opportunity to participate in a six week summer field school activity, and the students gain skills and experience that enhance their competitive advantage in college. Amy enjoyed speaking with the students and mentors and learning more about their project experiences and archaeological discoveries.



Students and mentors cleaning artifacts.



Student (far right) showing a projectile point to a visitor from Conner Prairie.

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Indiana Archaeology Month (September) webpage-
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